



**DACC ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING
Friday, November 18, 2016**

The Downtown Austin Community Court (DACC) Advisory Committee convened in a regular meeting on Friday, November 18, 2016 in Austin, Texas.

Sara Clark called the meeting to order at 7:45 a.m.

Committee Members in Attendance: Sara Clark (Chair), Elizabeth Brenner (Vice-Chair), Brittain Ayres, Tanisa Bernard, Darilynn Cardona-Beiler, Andrew Cates, David Courreges, Lea Downey-Gallatin

Staff in Attendance: Pete Valdez, Susan Requejo, Jennifer Sowinski, Jeremy Myers, Joy Berry, Caitlin Purcell.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the meeting of September 16th, 2016 were approved on a motion by Committee Member David Courreges and seconded by Committee Member Sara Clark. The motion passed on an 8-0 vote.

2. CITIZEN/CLIENT TESTIMONIALS

A. Homeless/formerly homeless individuals shared first- hand experiences regarding challenges and barriers associated with access to housing. A brief update of the Emergency Solutions Grant was provided to the board. The update included lack of affordable units and financial assistance.

3. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Update, Discussion, and Possible Action on Homelessness Outreach Street Team (“HOST”) pilot program (Cardona-Beiler/Clark). No action was taken on this item.
- B. Update, Discussion, and Possible Action on the Sobriety Center, it was announced that Judge Hohengarten was appointed as Chair, Andy Brown, Vice Chair and Bill Brice as secretary for the Sobriety Center.
- C. Update, Discussion, and Possible Action on Downtown Austin Community Court Facilities (Clark/Courreges). No discussion or action taken on this item.

- D.** Name change from Downtown Austin Community Court Advisory Committee to Advisory Board was approved by the Finance and Audit and will be placed on the next City Council Agenda.
- E.** Patricia Fraga provided the board members with the City of Austin policy in regards to creation of social media accounts and the use of social media. A motion was made by Committee Member David Courreges and seconded by Committee Member Sara Clark to create a Facebook Page for the Downtown Austin Community Court. The motion passed on an 8-0 vote.
- F.** Update, Discussion, and Possible Action on rental assistance grant opportunities (Cardona-Beiler/Clark). No discussion or action taken on this item.
- G.** Update, Discussion, and Possible Action on City Council Resolution 20160811-037 (Clark/Brenner). No discussion or action taken on this item.

4. NEW BUSINESS

- A.** A presentation titled “I’m the Voice of Many People” was presented by Kerry O’Connor, Chief Innovation Office. The presentation provided an overview of the HOST team and their interactions with clients, challenges and the collaboration between the different agencies involved with the HOST Team.
- B.** Pete Valdez provided an overview of the different statistical reports that are provided to stakeholders, public, and to the Austin Police Department.

5. STAFF BRIEFINGS

6. ADJOURN

Chair Sara Clark adjourned the meeting at 9:15 a.m. without objection.